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1.—POPULATION AND MIGRATION.

Period.	Population at End of Period (a).			Natural Increase.	Migration—Civil Only. Increase + ; Decrease —		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	(b)	Oversea.	Inter- state.	Total.
Year ended—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
31st December, 1932	290,254	289,039	579,293	3,564	— 363	— 987	— 1,350
1934	292,519	291,775	584,294	3,056	— 32	— 1,407	— 1,439
1936	294,807	294,505	589,312	3,447	+ 242	— 820	— 578
1938	297,549	297,560	595,109	3,871	+ 346	— 309	+ 37
1940	297,849	300,242	598,091	4,309	+ 460	— 5,141	— 4,681
1941	302,021	303,668	605,689	4,677	+ 69	+ 2,852	+ 2,921
1942	303,980	306,291	610,271	4,566	+ 282	+ 678	+ 960
March Quarter, 1942	303,404	305,016	608,420	1,416	+ 181	+ 1,536	+ 1,717
1943	304,507	306,893	611,400	1,690	— 1	— 239	— 240
June Quarter, 1942	302,284	305,063	607,347	1,208	+ 86	— 2,291	— 2,205
1943	304,825	307,334	612,159	1,560	+ 21	— 736	— 715

Metropolitan population, 31st December, 1942, approximately 355,000.

(a) Inclusive of all S.A. troops enlisted, irrespective of present location, and exclusive of other troops, prisoners of war, etc. (b) See note below.

2.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

Period Registered.	Births Registered.	Deaths Registered. (b)	Marriages.	Infantile Deaths.
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year, 1931.....	9,079	4,888	3,069	330
1932.....	8,521	4,957	3,636	312
1934.....	8,459	5,403	4,310	301
1935.....	8,270	5,163	4,845	289
1936.....	8,911	5,464	5,182	277
1938.....	9,410	5,539	5,489	287
1940.....	10,017	5,708	6,950	356
1941.....	10,965	6,288	6,855	356
1942.....	11,278	6,712	8,129	445
1943.....	13,145	6,482	6,263	475
Oct., 1942.....	783	484	641	40
1943.....	962	434	473	24
Nov., 1942.....	974	518	515	38
1943.....	1,027	446	418	28
Dec., 1942.....	834	488	636	30
1943.....	1,289	573	529	36
Dec., Quarter, 1942.....	2,591	1,490	1,792	108
1943.....	3,278	1,453	1,420	88

(b) Excluding deaths of defence personnel, 1940, 42; 1941, 372; 1942, 588; 1943, ?

3.—RAINFALL.

Period.	Over Agricultural Areas, 1943.							State 38 Years' Mean.	Adel aide. 1943.	105 Years' Mean.
	Central.	Lower North.	Upper North.	South- East.	Wes- tern.	Murray Mallee.	State.	In.	In.	In.
January	In. .54	In. .45	In. .19	In. .45	In. .31	In. .45	In. .38	In. .62	In. .84	In. .78
February	1.72	2.12	2.23	1.44	1.50	1.11	1.63	.72	3.18	.74
March .....	.15	.04	.04	.31	.02	.05	.08	.73	.09	1.02
April	1.70	1.23	.90	2.30	.94	1.06	1.27	.96	2.57	1.76
May .....	.76	.33	.08	1.52	.51	.39	.58	1.70	.90	2.70
June	2.31	1.21	.71	2.76	1.41	1.01	1.55	2.05	2.18	3.05
July	2.72	1.53	1.32	3.41	2.23	.95	2.08	1.93	2.22	2.63
August	2.66	2.08	1.34	3.90	2.07	1.38	2.20	1.97	1.68	2.55
September	1.79	1.37	.46	3.33	1.02	1.27	1.43	1.65	1.89	2.09
October	1.19	1.01	.60	1.20	1.22	1.00	1.08	1.26	1.19	1.69
November ....	.62	.60	.69	1.24	.23	.71	.58	.94	.39	1.17
December ....	.65	.43	.12	.84	.23	1.11	.50	.77	.71	1.02
April to November										
1943.....	13.75	9.36	6.10	19.66	9.63	7.77	10.77	—	Jan. to Dec. 17.84	21.18
1942.....	21.21	15.39	10.06	24.99	14.37	13.04	16.11	—	25.44	—
Mean, 38 years	15.87	12.06	8.61	19.29	10.94	10.25	12.46	12.46	—	—

4.—EMPLOYMENT (Estimated).

(Excluding Rural Workers, Domestics, and Defence Personnel.)

	July, 39.	July, 42.	July, 43.	Aug., 43.	Sept., 43	Oct., 43.
Factories.....M	33,832	50,438	47,728	47,423	47,588	47,483
F	7,845	18,541	19,643	19,134	18,890	18,382
Total	41,677	68,979	67,371	66,557	66,478	65,865
Retail Stores .....M	7,550	5,827	5,242	5,166	5,172	5,171
F	5,850	7,365	6,760	6,840	6,813	6,839
Total	13,400	13,192	12,002	12,006	11,985	12,010
State M	15,849	16,956	15,195	15,240	15,189	15,166
Government (a) F	4,153	4,585	4,921	4,871	4,922	4,888
Total	20,002	21,541	20,116	20,111	20,111	20,054
Commonwealth M	5,219	6,846	b 7,291	8,091	7,958	7,832
Government (a) F	1,105	2,665	3,422	3,523	3,465	3,471
Total	6,324	9,511	10,713	11,614	11,423	11,303
Local Government M	3,710	2,162	2,046	2,110	2,108	2,087
F	126	225	212	215	212	221
Total	3,836	2,387	2,258	2,325	2,320	2,308
Banks .....M	1,600	681	560	543	539	537
F	120	378	380	377	384	382
Total	1,720	1,059	940	920	923	919
Total M	107,300	117,900	112,200	112,300	112,600	112,300
(inc. other) F	32,300	50,000	52,000	52,300	51,500	51,300
Total	139,600	167,900	164,200	164,600	164,100	163,600

(a) Ex. factory employees who are included above.

(b) Understated approx. 800.

Rural Workers (Permanent), 1938-39, M. 41,421, F. 2,942. 1942-43, M 29,573, F. 5,131.

5. UNEMPLOYMENT AND FACTORIES EMPLOYMENT.

Particulars.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.
Trade Unionists unemployed per cent.	7.3	9.4	8.8	4.5	1.6	c 1.0
Labour Exchange Registra- tions end June .....No.	7,739	8,574	5,978	1,745	b	b
Employment in Factories Index No. (a)	138	136	141	165	206	d 223

(a) Base, 1929-30 = 100. (b) Not recorded, practically Nil. January, 1942, 148.

(c) August, 1943, 0.9.

(d) October, 1943, 213.

6.—STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Period.	Revenue.				Expenditure.			
	Land and Income Tax.	Other Taxa- tion.	Rail- ways.	Total (including Other).	Public Debt (a)	Rail- ways (b)	Unem- ployed Relief.	Total (including Other).
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Year, 1931-32	1,919	1,157	2,760	10,482	5,439	2,061	853	11,545
1932-33	1,561	1,172	2,771	10,161	5,346	2,023	632	11,170
1933-34	1,648	1,261	2,609	10,188	5,203	2,065	542	11,032
1934-35	1,825	1,399	2,649	11,002	4,982	2,147	490	10,965
1935-36	1,789	1,415	2,851	11,409	4,934	2,324	415	11,260
1936-37	1,978	1,563	3,000	11,739	4,976	2,471	375	11,600
1937-38	2,358	1,564	3,293	12,461	5,061	2,765	319	12,334
1938-39	2,424	1,692	3,165	12,304	5,096	2,851	304	12,701
1939-40	2,679	1,884	3,145	12,756	5,247	2,844	336	12,918
1940-41	2,782	1,560	3,482	12,925	5,286	2,938	169	13,008
1941-42	3,119	1,623	4,858	15,002	5,336	3,542	34	13,712
1942-43	2,675	1,329	5,876	15,193	5,310	4,418	—	14,960
October, 1942	82	111	583	1,156	344	370	—	1,121
1943	82	102	479	1,129	317	388	—	1,129
November, 1942	105	60	537	1,239	354	341	—	1,059
1943	122	144	523	1,313	413	386	—	1,193
December, 1942	152	93	606	1,419	540	395	—	1,470
1943	139	102	532	1,336	497	430	—	1,442
December Quarter, 1942 .	339	264	1,726	3,814	1,238	1,106	—	3,650
1943 .	343	348	1,534	3,778	1,227	1,204	—	3,764
July-December, 1942 ...	553	592	2,773	6,549	2,657	2,131	—	7,150
1943 ...	547	643	2,849	6,678	2,637	2,400	—	7,478

(a) Interest, Exchange and Sinking Fund.

Includes Pensions for annual figures, but not for monthly and quarterly.

7.—PUBLIC DEBT—STATE.

Date.	Public Debt.		Deposits, Trust Funds, Etc.	Cash in Hand, Etc.	Expenditure on Loan Works, Etc.
	Total.	Per Head.			
	£	£ s. d.	£	£	£
30th June, 1932.....	101,599,232	175 15 2	3,328,424	536,787	104,390,869
1933.....	103,707,332	178 10 3	3,075,410	787,057	105,995,685
1934.....	105,419,280	180 14 10	3,456,633	1,546,429	107,329,484
1935.....	105,349,536	180 2 10	3,240,902	1,632,787	106,957,651
1936.....	105,698,481	179 19 6	3,724,565	1,161,218	108,261,828
1937.....	106,594,164	181 1 6	2,999,926	1,307,182	108,286,908
1938.....	107,450,640	181 8 4	2,573,435	1,102,980	108,921,095
1939.....	108,887,092	182 15 4	2,300,420	1,474,959	109,712,553
1940.....	109,344,040	182 15 0	2,462,759	1,710,057	110,096,742
1941.....	109,779,724	183 2 8	3,358,054	1,730,774	111,407,004
1942.....	109,190,224	179 16 3	4,465,678	2,225,285	111,430,617
1943.....	108,429,169	177 2 6	3,956,770	1,801,024	110,584,915
31st Dec., 1942.....	110,255,924	180 13 5	2,236,679	1,777,108	110,715,495
1943.....	109,629,169	178 11 0	3,198,244	1,712,841	111,114,571

NOTE.—During the year ended 30th June, 1935, the amount of £804,988 was written off the Public Debt, being portion of Soldier Settlement Debt taken over by the Commonwealth.

8. TRADING BANKS (ex. State and Commonwealth Banks).

Period.	Deposits.					Advances.	Advances to Deposits.
	Bearing Interest.		Not Bearing Interest.		Total.		
	£	%	£	%	£	£	%
June Quarter							
1932	16,939,770	77.63	4,881,337	22.37	21,821,107	17,913,525	82.09
1933	17,314,999	77.64	4,987,061	22.36	22,302,060	18,608,501	83.44
1934	17,785,796	76.10	5,586,432	23.90	23,372,228	18,625,748	79.69
1935	17,173,844	74.21	5,967,563	25.79	23,141,407	19,595,659	84.68
1936	17,012,925	72.60	6,421,975	27.40	23,434,900	19,240,000	82.10
1937	18,079,031	71.51	7,204,074	28.49	25,283,105	18,443,318	72.95
1938	18,559,625	73.47	6,701,860	26.53	25,261,485	19,306,744	76.43
1939	18,845,522	74.18	6,558,821	25.82	25,404,343	19,808,154	77.97
1940	19,286,074	71.71	7,606,718	28.29	26,892,792	17,911,061	66.60
1941	18,947,340	68.92	8,546,437	31.08	27,493,777	16,889,318	61.43
1942	18,499,019	61.46	11,600,937	38.54	30,099,956	15,362,011	51.04
1943	18,821,759	55.45	15,119,387	44.55	33,941,146	14,008,774	41.27
Dec. Quarter							
1942	18,628,088	59.10	12,888,885	40.90	31,516,973	14,386,301	45.65
1943	19,572,292	56.02	15,364,536	43.98	34,936,828	14,282,612	40.88

NOTE.—State and Commonwealth Banks, Dec. Quarter, 1943. Advances, £1,761,699; Deposits, Bearing Interest, £7,085,999; Not Bearing Interest, £2,699,378; Total, £9,785,377.

9. SAVINGS BANKS AND BANK CLEARINGS.

Period.	Savings Banks (State and Commonwealth).			Bank Clearings.	
	Accounts Open.	Deposits.	Per Head.	Total.	Weekly Average.
	No.	£	£ s. d.	£	£
1931-32	572,051	21,566,825	37 6 2	100,419,134	1,919,426
1932-33	584,004	22,515,288	38 15 1	108,566,658	2,079,464
1933-34	595,524	23,437,505	40 3 8	115,558,007	2,214,061
1934-35	607,724	24,184,988	41 7 1	124,254,209	2,385,660
1935-36	622,609	25,308,586	43 1 10	136,851,967	2,592,203
1936-37	645,313	26,505,941	45 0 6	151,281,047	2,900,357
1937-38	657,814	27,243,654	45 19 11	158,944,202	3,039,755
1938-39	669,685	27,397,028	45 19 9	153,932,144	2,952,870
1939-40	677,685	26,563,287	44 7 11	167,988,303	3,219,186
1940-41	692,120	27,509,706	45 17 10	182,332,702	3,498,544
1941-42	721,800	30,615,989	50 8 4	207,434,796	3,970,325
1942-43	760,935	38,562,814	63 0 0	236,455,974	4,532,288
Oct., 1942.....	733,887	33,190,874	54 10 0	20,393,903	4,612,123
1943.....	774,317	42,404,093	69 0 0	20,683,415	4,660,055
November, 1942	736,034	33,494,271	55 0 0	20,101,049	4,690,478
1943	776,674	42,666,302	69 10 0	22,117,470	5,159,814
December, 1942.....	737,414	33,677,545	55 5 0	19,783,981	4,355,634
1943.....	779,015	43,564,372	71 0 0	21,258,806	4,678,554

10. OVERSEA TRADE (DIRECT).

Period.	Exports.		Imports.	Excess Exports.
	£ Aus.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
1931-32	12,264,227	9,772,000	2,821,538	6,950,462
1932-33	12,802,189	10,242,000	3,760,324	6,481,676
1933-34	12,718,325	10,175,000	3,679,412	6,495,588
1934-35	11,834,784	9,468,000	3,965,808	5,502,192
1935-36	15,381,124	12,305,000	5,419,960	6,885,040
1936-37	16,748,140	13,399,000	5,438,429	7,960,571
1937-38	19,057,243	15,246,000	7,473,802	7,772,198
1938-39	14,841,507	11,873,000	5,851,043	6,021,957
July-April, 1938-39	13,074,056	10,459,000	4,854,923	5,604,077
1939-40	11,890,218	9,512,000	5,693,556	3,818,444

NOTE.—Publication of Trade Statistics since suspended.

11.—OVERSEA EXPORTS (PRINCIPAL ITEMS).

Article.	Unit.	Year.				July-March.	
		1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Quantities—							
Barley	bush.	3,360,946	2,312,332	4,390,374	2,248,212	1,732,502	748,134
Flour	ton	60,137	58,590	68,231	86,678	63,885	59,079
Wheat	bush.	22,669,070	16,770,810	28,805,592	18,486,303	15,407,166	7,216,719
Butter	lb.	7,953,012	7,291,690	8,809,153	7,385,564	6,141,640	8,411,809
Cheese	lb.	3,898,651	7,289,309	10,109,467	12,907,683	11,090,920	13,763,100
Eggs in shell	doz.	3,456,050	2,745,480	1,225,550	1,395,540	1,395,240	1,395,660
Lamb	carcases	342,177	420,374	376,893	667,248	666,324	687,823
Wool (a)	lb.	75,847,402	70,875,617	68,008,006	87,272,802	71,628,812	59,810,385
Currants and raisins ..	lb.	27,504,426	25,108,567	38,507,866	42,692,777	16,723,395	7,123,045
Wine	gall.	3,427,516	3,679,365	3,478,450	3,440,509	2,915,384	2,670,260
Concentrates (Silver, etc.)	cwt.	3,749,405	2,393,740	3,171,943	4,077,760	2,889,577	2,035,271
Lead	cwt.	2,131,846	1,796,399	2,057,624	1,994,054	1,641,441	1,273,469
Values (Australian Currency)—							
Barley	£	353,533	432,079	746,661	279,311	218,883	88,804
Flour	£	422,899	558,675	617,446	498,396	374,708	379,018
Wheat	£	4,087,227	4,386,206	6,306,741	2,532,065	2,077,953	950,407
Butter	£	400,509	395,448	496,326	413,471	322,946	464,494
Cheese	£	80,851	166,122	294,136	372,776	321,875	409,149
Eggs in shell	£	165,892	140,542	68,441	75,915	75,894	72,329
Lamb	£	288,017	352,575	367,078	682,682	681,973	712,973
Wool	£	3,780,550	4,071,953	3,267,842	3,461,417	2,859,747	2,962,018
Currants and raisins ..	£	512,714	459,518	730,550	787,524	312,598	138,060
Wine	£	870,710	955,033	857,291	919,983	784,317	696,988
Concentrates (Silver, etc.)	£	531,685	737,060	684,856	553,410	432,379	355,944
Lead	£	1,759,672	2,080,903	1,992,168	1,846,630	1,535,546	1,280,425

(a) Including scoured converted to greasy.

12. OVERSEA IMPORTS (PRINCIPAL ITEMS).

Article.	Year.				July-March.	
	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1938-39.	1939-40.
(British Currency.)						
Apparel and attire	£ 61,419	£ 62,758	£ 78,970	£ 74,326	£ 61,056	£ 49,376
Bags and sacks	312,623	315,346	300,072	274,076	239,516	434,064
Fertilizers—Rock phosphates	129,773	129,015	131,000	138,981	94,833	88,300
Iron and steel	433,653	350,041	794,299	311,174	271,827	95,328
Machines and machinery ...	601,041	730,242	1,111,567	912,006	757,302	552,504
Motor bodies, chassis, etc. ..	375,010	373,703	515,185	354,923	272,870	248,698
Petrol, etc.....	417,979	421,437	562,893	495,219	379,969	610,284
Kerosene.....	68,194	62,706	124,132	66,751	48,480	81,780
Other oils in bulk	180,426	165,611	249,986	245,930	148,325	258,003
Paper	195,972	269,392	224,787	234,798	163,253	230,786
Stationery, books, etc.....	111,022	109,701	131,959	147,968	96,909	194,990
Tea	111,940	121,758	113,900	108,425	82,556	124,040
Textiles, piecegoods, etc. ...	610,588	612,363	733,714	600,050	477,792	516,474
Timber	274,150	175,886	526,309	294,297	207,644	229,542

13.—RAILWAYS (SUMMARY).

Period.	Gross Revenue.	Working Expenses. a.	Train Miles Run.	Passengers Carried.	Goods and Livestock.	Passenger Mileage.
	£	£	No.	No.	Tons.	1,000m.
Year 1931-32..	2,757,123	1,921,744	4,914,265	15,608,384	2,430,226	166,409
1933-34..	2,570,837	1,937,913	4,930,271	16,325,004	2,154,639	175,559
1935-36..	2,890,710	2,193,457	5,462,146	17,430,674	2,481,568	189,061
1936-37..	3,021,662	2,331,334	5,606,353	17,776,629	2,400,423	205,329
1937-38..	3,299,084	2,612,562	6,111,121	17,632,125	2,897,351	200,144
1938-39..	3,133,373	2,675,299	6,177,407	17,528,651	2,661,168	212,982
1939-40..	3,183,562	2,679,622	5,928,416	17,641,766	2,700,163	220,037
1940-41..	3,530,166	2,804,490	5,892,240	20,360,011	2,770,374	277,570
1941-42..	4,963,907	3,600,736	6,598,746	28,512,513	3,127,900	434,465
1942-43..	5,832,475	4,409,251	6,792,459	30,863,577	3,459,855	510,653
Sept., 1942 ...	199,797	343,048	569,070	2,841,013	289,897	39,344
1943 ...	426,008	402,875	572,944	2,608,295	304,093	39,830
Oct., 1942.....	583,123	371,148	584,955	2,322,675	305,043	37,756
1943.....	479,514	387,377	574,608	2,188,899	316,845	38,763
Nov., 1942	536,736	340,455	548,344	2,394,937	286,895	37,767
1943	522,726	387,646	541,555	1,917,293	310,556	32,722
July-Nov.,						
1942.....	2,166,568	1,736,107	2,901,569	12,435,615	1,503,066	194,813
1943.....	2,317,020	1,971,654	2,853,510	11,323,624	1,549,413	195,327

a Excluding pensions and capital charges.

14.—RAILWAYS (TON-MILEAGES).

Period.	Gross Ton Mileage.					Net Ton Mileage. (Revenue)
	Passenger.	Freight.	Mixed.	Departmental.	Total.	
Year—	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.
1931-32	262,756	681,354	25,997	15,482	985,589	287,654
1933-34	292,016	677,057	21,649	19,034	1,009,756	265,720
1935-36	355,657	800,899	20,404	17,599	1,194,559	312,839
1936-37	405,689	823,513	24,132	25,112	1,278,446	314,515
1937-38	421,956	950,375	27,297	33,909	1,433,537	365,066
1938-39	421,187	951,051	25,840	31,844	1,429,922	348,614
1939-40	411,719	876,011	57,412	28,742	1,373,884	336,980
1940-41	445,798	852,168	104,134	40,428	1,442,528	330,947
1941-42	565,082	981,115	149,795	30,963	1,726,955	385,861
1942-43	554,406	1,131,822	125,391	41,948	1,853,567	431,661
Sept., 1942....	45,095	97,330	7,883	3,940	154,248	36,500
1943....	44,377	99,608	7,187	5,721	156,893	39,000
Oct., 1942....	43,476	103,649	13,525	2,266	162,916	38,500
1943....	44,828	104,303	7,016	2,718	158,865	37,500
Nov., 1942....	42,129	96,815	10,473	2,028	151,445	37,417
1943....	40,018	98,522	7,120	4,400	150,060	36,500
July-Nov.,						
1942-43	223,551	505,712	55,170	11,678	796,111	190,617
1943-44	221,063	508,066	35,180	19,234	783,543	189,000

15.—TRAMWAYS (DAILY AVERAGES).

Period.	Gross Revenue.	Passenger Journeys.	Tram Miles.	Elec- tricity.
	£	No.	No.	A.C. Units.
Year ended July, 1932.....	1,802	132,424	20,054	69,928
1934.....	1,720	128,820	20,224	71,751
1936.....	1,841	138,317	21,705	76,201
1937.....	1,916	142,689	22,087	77,209
1938.....	1,897	141,572	22,716	81,081
1939.....	1,948	144,948	23,869	87,084
1940.....	1,996	150,064	24,252	88,755
January, 1942.....	2,592	189,465	25,445	107,193
1943.....	3,163	233,242	26,351	116,537
29th August to 25th September, 1943..	3,311	248,160	27,074	122,692
26th September to 23rd October, 1943 .	3,215	245,224	27,259	118,086
24th October to 20th November, 1943 .	3,360	247,337	27,065	108,343
8th November to 5th December, 1942 .	3,283	244,057	26,551	115,170
21st November to 18th December, 1943	3,435	261,173	27,149	108,586

16.—MOTOR REGISTRATIONS. (See also No. 17).

Period.	Cars.		Commercial Vehicles.		Cycles.	
	1942.	1943.	1942.	1943.	1942.	1943.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
New Vehicles—						
October	30	3	6	87	6	2
November.....	10	1	10	127	2	—
December	28	3	31	106	6	1
December Quarter	68	7	47	320	14	3
January-December	316	94	215	817	87	21
Second-hand Vehicles—						
October	826	864	307	311	359	314
November.....	713	809	295	345	343	334
December	868	866	316	318	333	385
December Quarter	2,407	2,539	918	974	1,035	1,033
December-January	7,211	9,556	3,312	3,796	3,097	3,875
Renewals—						
December Quarter	25,059	22,791	8,555	7,909	2,513	2,231
December-January	74,903	74,715	29,295	29,515	8,041	8,064
Cancellations—						
December Quarter	1,158	1,379	388	584	359	420
December-January	3,971	5,443	1,725	2,102	1,494	1,708
Expirations—						
December Quarter	24,555	22,349	8,743	7,958	2,982	2,695
December-January	79,429	75,872	32,896	30,895	11,111	9,805

17.—MOTORS, TELEPHONES, WIRELESS.

Period.	Motor Vehicles in use (a). (excluding vehicles used by defence services.)				Telephone Connections.		Wireless Licences.	
	Cars.	Com- mercial Vehicles.	Cycles.	Total.	New.	Exist- ing (a).	New.	Exist- ing (a).
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year ended Dec., 1931 ..	45,140	12,139	10,045	67,324	2,869	49,276	10,186	32,075
1933 ..	46,413	14,197	10,455	71,065	3,605	48,528	17,903	55,639
1934 ..	48,939	17,267	10,470	76,676	4,882	49,802	21,911	72,337
1935 ..	49,496	17,157	10,741	77,394	5,048	51,516	17,407	81,629
1936 ..	53,728	19,415	11,110	84,253	5,501	53,875	19,867	93,881
1937 ..	56,101	21,728	11,802	88,631	5,727	56,517	20,293	105,045
1938 ..	60,537	24,985	10,213	95,735	6,095	58,960	20,568	115,571
1939 ..	59,345	25,740	9,492	94,577	5,449	61,565	16,460	120,584
1940 ..	58,184	24,499	9,215	91,898	5,977	63,593	16,744	127,995
1941 ..	54,528	24,382	7,262	86,172	6,594	66,374	17,761	136,457
1942 ..	53,558	22,583	5,882	82,023	6,000	67,508	19,386	144,209
1943 ..	56,608	23,714	6,329	86,651	4,044	69,329	17,327	153,356
Oct., 1942	52,070	22,124	5,703	79,897	318	66,964	2,035	142,675
1943	55,397	23,144	6,197	84,738	128	68,955	1,234	151,666
Nov., 1942	52,731	22,321	5,766	80,818	403	67,084	1,645	143,430
1943	55,979	23,389	6,287	85,655	388	69,127	1,178	152,840
Dec., 1942	53,558	22,583	5,882	82,023	625	67,508	1,657	144,209
1943	56,608	23,714	6,329	86,651	284	69,329	948	153,356

(a) At end of period stated.

18.—PRICES (MEAN) ADELAIDE WHOLESALE.

Period.	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Hay.	Bullocks.	Merino Wethers	Lambs.
	Bush. s. d.	Bush. s. d.	Bush. s. d.	Tons. £ s. d.	Prime. £ s. d.	Prime. s. d.	Prime. s. d.
Oct., 1942	a	a	1 11	2 12 6	17 2 6	19 3	22 6
1943	a	a	a	a	15 12 6	17 6	20 6
Nov., 1942	a	a	1 11	2 12 6	14 2 6	16 9	22 6
1943	a	a	a	4 5 0	15 10 0	17 0	21 6
Dec., 1938.....	2 2½	1 9	2 6¼	2 15 0	11 6 3	13 0	18 6
1939.....	a	a	1 3	1 16 0	10 16 9	17 6	19 0
1940.....	a	a	2 10½	3 2 6	14 3 3	12 6	19 3
1941.....	a	a	1 9½	2 7 0	11 15 0	15 9	18 9
1942.....	a	a	1 11	2 12 6	15 7 6	19 3	24 6
1943.....	a	a	a	4 5 0	16 0 0	16 6	21 9

(a) No quotations.

19.—WOOL SALES.

Period.	Greasy and Scoured.		Amount Realized.	Price per Lb. Greasy.	In Store end Period.
	Bales.	Lb.	£	d.	Bales.
Year, 1931-32	197,954	64,158,321	1,847,946	6-88	14,065
1932-33	262,058	84,832,832	2,604,950	7-32	4,212
1933-34	245,311	76,580,369	4,479,165	13-96	20,045
1934-35	272,724	86,383,700	2,959,314	8-14	4,815
1935-36	263,280	83,102,553	4,151,115	11-92	5,029
1936-37	257,300	80,350,616	4,601,851	13-66	4,040
1937-38	273,056	85,165,647	4,018,205	11-28	13,913
1938-39	325,854	100,982,688	3,842,380	9-10	7,192

From 1939-40, Wool sales were cancelled owing to purchase of wool by British Government; for 1939-40, average price received by growers was 11-935d., for 1940-41 11-85d., 1941-42 11-75d. and 1942-43 14-23d.

20.—PRICES—RETAIL ADELAIDE.

Period.	Bread, 2 lb.	Flour, 2 lb.	Tea, lb.	Milk, Quart.	Butter (Fac- tory), lb.	Eggs, Doz.	Potatoes 7 lb.	Beef Ribs, lb.	Mutton Leg, lb.
	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Oct., 1942.....	6-00 *	4-55	41-05	6-50	20-00	19-85	21-00	9-90	9-00
1943.....	5-75	4-55	27-10	6-50	20-00	22-30	8-81	9-78	10-00
Nov., 1942.....	6-00	4-55	40-65	6-50	20-00	19-95	21-00	9-55	8-70
1943.....	5-75	4-55	27-10	6-50	20-00	22-30	8-39	9-78	10-00
Dec., 1938.....	5-50	4-50	27-85	5-85	19-50	12-50	12-79	7-75	7-85
1939.....	5-50	4-60	30-75	5-85	19-10	12-50	11-68	7-35	7-65
1940.....	5-50	4-55	31-70	5-85	19-05	13-45	12-80	8-20	7-50
1941.....	6-00	4-55	43-05	6-00	19-05	13-40	12-14	8-00	7-35
1942.....	6-00	4-55	40-70	6-50	20-00	21-40	16-33	9-45	8-70
1943.....	5-75	4-55	27-10	6-50	20-00	22-35	8-40	9-78	10-00

21.—PRICE INDEX FIGURES (ADELAIDE) AND WAGES.

Base. Six capitals 1923-1927 = 1,000.

Item.	October.		November.		December.	
	1942.	1943.	1942.	1943.	1942.	1943.
	Year.				December Quarter.	
Food and groceries	1,039	986	1,029	984	1,014	984
	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1942.	1943.
Food and groceries	900	905	1,046	1,003	1,027	985
Housing (four and five rooms)	892	893	893	893	893	893
Clothing	961	1,120	1,290	1,409	1,357	1,422
Miscellaneous (Hardware, etc.)	1,051	1,127	1,184	1,211	1,209	1,212
All items	936	988	1,075	1,102	1,100	1,099
	Per Week—1st February.					
	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Federal Basic Wage—Males	76 0	77 0	82 0	86 0	93 0	93 0
State Basic Wage—Males	78 0	78 0	84 0	87 0	94 0	94 0
State Basic Wage—Females	38 0	38 0	41 0	43 6	46 2	46 2

22.—BUILDING PERMITS (METROPOLITAN AREA).

Period.	Dwellings. (a)		Other Buildings.		Additions.	Total Value (Ex. Govt.)	Value (Govt.)
	No.	£	No.	£	£	£	£
Year, 1931	45	28,952	48	163,334	107,938	300,224	23,000
1932	110	91,508	65	72,294	125,780	289,582	98,909
1934	385	321,202	102	266,061	221,369	808,632	44,161
1936	917	714,923	194	236,522	279,707	1,231,152	351,301
1938	1,562	1,139,906	196	496,305	395,270	2,031,481	203,650
1940	1,714	1,238,995	98	373,865	360,802	1,973,662	648,082
1941	1,456	1,175,301	113	303,450	267,069	1,745,820	634,261
1942	551	385,740	54	110,504	212,317	708,561	452,803
1943	(b)447	221,732	75	217,340	230,938	670,010	310,565
Oct., 1942	22	15,080	12	2,643	15,723	33,446	24,844
1943	107	50,578	6	35,655	14,219	100,452	19,488
Nov., 1942	130	61,705	2	2,966	12,204	76,875	37,832
1943	118	69,145	3	685	13,531	83,361	23,590
Dec., 1942	9	3,653	5	2,214	11,107	16,974	11,226
1943	12	4,812	19	9,656	8,228	22,696	1,530
Dec., Quarter, 1942	161	80,438	19	7,823	39,034	127,295	73,902
1943	237	124,535	28	45,996	35,978	206,509	44,608

(a) From 1937 each dwelling unit counted separately.

(b) Excludes 152 Commonwealth war-workers' homes.

23.—SALES TAX.

Approximate Amount of Sales by Traders Registered under Sales Tax Acts.

Year.	Taxable Goods.				Taxable and Exempt Goods.			
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total Year.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total Year.
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1932.....	1,056	943	927	11,159	2,360	2,417	2,395	26,577
1934.....	823	945	927	10,014	1,932	3,595	2,179	26,243
1936.....	1,045	1,006	1,015	11,909	2,461	2,564	2,731	29,901
1937.....	1,149	1,146	1,285	12,587	3,101	3,022	3,473	35,696
1938.....	1,078	1,146	1,113	12,685	3,077	2,972	3,652	36,968
1939.....	1,169	1,213	900	12,330	3,236	3,723	2,675	35,562
1940.....	1,022	1,065	1,026	12,629	3,442	3,231	2,736	38,311
1941.....	1,593	1,313	1,408	17,524	4,004	3,545	3,957	44,364
1942.....	1,336	1,394	1,044	16,005	3,770	4,458	2,921	46,239
1943.....	1,468	1,182	1,322	14,745	4,002	3,517	3,728	45,755

The figures above cannot be compared without allowance for the fact that at various times different commodities have been exempted or become taxable, and the proportion of wholesale trade covered by the returns has been reduced or increased.

24.—COMPANIES, MORTGAGES, ETC.

Period.	S.A. Companies Registered.		Mortgages Registered— Real Estates.		Land Trans- ferred.
	Com- panies.	Authorized Capital.	Loans.	Dis- charges.	
Year	No.	£	£	£	£
1931.....	122	2,067,785	7,764,757	2,249,076	6,355,100
1933.....	156	2,200,980	4,013,037	2,778,376	4,849,176
1935.....	150	3,705,132	5,102,905	3,715,313	7,036,500
1937.....	157	3,939,900	7,044,973	4,798,819	9,773,250
1939.....	149	3,625,928	5,807,137	4,229,509	8,226,650
1941.....	48	814,000	5,563,346	4,551,920	9,728,700
1942.....	3	852,500	4,055,841	3,875,892	6,585,800
1943.....	2	15,000	4,019,000	5,213,746	7,391,100
Oct., 1942.....	—	—	277,435	246,471	652,600
1943.....	—	—	415,450	559,600	545,300
Nov., 1942.....	—	—	355,680	267,550	501,000
1943.....	—	—	284,685	356,670	711,300
Dec., 1942.....	1	250,000	392,312	437,952	471,700
1943.....	—	—	272,945	334,615	538,500
Dec., Quarter, 1942.....	1	250,000	1,025,427	951,973	1,625,300
1943.....	—	—	973,080	1,250,885	1,795,100

25.—BANKRUPTCY (Sequestrations, Deeds, Schemes, Etc.).

Period.		Primary Producers.	Total.	Liabilities.	Assets.	Excess Liabilities.
		No.	No.	£	£	£
Year	1931.....	456	996	1,491,178	1,101,919	389,259
	1932.....	316	654	1,341,620	961,257	380,363
	1934.....	373	626	1,484,031	1,017,972	466,059
	1936.....	342	551	1,964,627	1,420,209	544,418
	1938.....	245	461	1,526,833	1,070,393	456,440
	1939.....	344	630	1,909,887	1,283,966	625,921
	1940.....	214	437	980,784	778,432	202,352
	1941.....	148	284	782,084	603,883	178,201
	1942.....	130	222	775,866	607,705	168,161
	1943.....	53	93	247,559	205,562	41,997
Oct.,	1942.....	—	8	11,028	8,679	2,349
	1943.....	1	4	13,720	5,639	8,081
Nov.,	1942.....	3	7	10,182	9,370	812
	1943.....	3	5	8,034	2,498	5,536
Dec.,	1942.....	2	5	7,439	4,054	3,385
	1943.....	—	2	822	380	442
Dec.,	Quarter, 1942.....	5	20	28,649	22,103	6,546
	1943.....	4	11	22,576	8,517	14,059

NOTE.—For 1931 and portion of 1932, liabilities and assets of compositions are not included.

26.—BUTTER AND CHEESE PRODUCTION.

Period.	Butter (lb.).			Cheese (lb.).		
	1941-42	1942-43	1943-44	1941-42	1942-43	1943-44
In Factories.						
Oct,	2,371,023	2,520,336	2,369,920	3,059,489	2,957,036	3,227,840
Nov.	2,124,149	2,182,432	2,260,160	2,803,523	2,866,728	3,158,400
Dec.	1,907,915	1,514,408	1,787,520	2,227,254	1,928,357	2,334,080
July-Dec.	12,186,665	11,947,040	11,719,680	13,692,127	12,922,507	14,329,280
Year.						
	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.
In Factories ..	18,374,275	17,722,368	18,150,000	19,427,272	18,903,111	18,000,000
On Farms	3,005,364	2,734,235	2,500,000	556	340	—
Total	21,379,639	20,456,603	20,650,000	19,427,828	18,903,451	18,000,000

27.—SLAUGHTERINGS AT METROPOLITAN ABATTOIRS (for home consumption).

Period.	Bullocks.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep.	Lambs.	Pigs.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Oct.-Dec., 1942	8,858	6,913	11,498	108,670	119,163	13,555
1943	8,931	8,162	14,734	113,950	113,192	5,387
January-Dec., 1938	30,562	27,136	45,080	306,068	327,543	31,443
1939	28,216	26,240	42,156	327,660	341,073	29,602
1940	30,950	25,751	47,537	345,381	362,860	38,150
1941	27,496	28,088	44,433	355,970	431,613	60,916
1942	36,667	29,601	44,893	417,954	432,084	48,420
1943	40,631	31,606	52,513	434,596	495,984	34,879

28.—ELECTRICITY.

Sales by Adelaide Electric Supply Co., Ltd. (In British Units).

Year Ended November.				Quarter Ended November.	
1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.
104,510,754	123,347,106	132,337,978	142,853,960	40,589,850	50,628,557
1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1942.	1943.
153,006,808	183,424,057	234,443,255	238,459,298	60,753,946	57,040,434

29.—GAS AND ELECTRICITY OUTPUT.

1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
Gas (1,000,000 cubic feet).							
1,082	1,090	1,119	1,155	1,182	1,240	1,307	1,496
Electricity (1,000 British Units).							
176,434	200,488	223,925	240,903	256,282	270,415	287,322	383,940

30.—LATEST PRODUCTION STATISTICS AND MISCELLANEOUS DATA NOT ELSEWHERE INCLUDED.

Item.	Unit.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
Wheat.....	acres	2,734,595	2,560,390	2,325,717	2,009,027	1,600,000 ^b
	bush.	41,071,696	17,856,118	30,511,112	36,525,459	19,000,000 ^b
	average	15-02	6-97	13-12	18-18	11-88 ^b
Barley.....	acres	503,548	471,211	478,256	297,980	275,000 ^b
	bush.	9,960,237	4,775,818	11,714,002	6,020,364	4,800,000 ^b
	average	19-78	10-14	24-49	20-20	17-45 ^b
Oats.....	acres	349,018	472,545	291,345	262,590	275,000 ^b
	bush.	4,062,541	1,829,404	3,800,229	3,365,025	2,500,000 ^b
	average	11-64	3-87	13-04	12-81	9-09 ^b
Hay.....	acres	531,614	403,678	557,624	425,505	280,000 ^b
	tons	646,075	394,274	748,313	568,529	336,000 ^b
	average	1-22	0-98	1-34	1-34	1-20 ^b
Manures used						
Crops	tons	170,111	155,851	145,926	97,582	
Pastures ..	tons	53,583	50,452	50,839	37,534	
Cattle	No.	351,013	376,654	399,143	424,253	
Horses	No.	190,013	182,206	171,092	164,855	
Sheep	No.	9,940,570	10,263,423	10,245,894	10,370,565	
Pigs	No.	119,660	190,068	114,244	156,243	
Sheep Shorn .	No.	10,132,619	10,638,154	10,202,966	10,760,119	
Wool Clip ...	lb.	91,136,064	92,611,206	91,997,867	94,535,778	
Wool Prodn. (a)	lb.	105,265,869	106,646,992	105,124,013	107,500,000 ^b	
Ewes Mated .	No.	4,436,435	4,631,407	4,515,900	4,606,232	
Lambs Marked	No.	3,102,835	3,196,548	2,949,511	3,228,523	
Wine—						
Beverage...	gall.	5,387,244	5,250,890	5,091,008	7,542,294	
Distillation	gall.	5,792,400	5,815,760	6,048,718	7,589,778	
Total ...	gall.	11,179,644	11,066,650	11,139,726	15,132,072	
Currants	cwt.	208,930	134,904	176,296	179,225	
Raisins	cwt.	299,869	310,346	317,779	329,263	
Apples	bush.	589,112	1,750,000	300,000	789,126	
Oranges	bush.	754,070	924,122	733,454	593,144	
Factories						
Establishments	No.	2,265	2,230	2,167	2,115 ^b	
Hands ...	No.	45,050	50,844	65,252	71,000 ^b	
Wages, etc.	£	8,957,893	10,849,308	16,679,153	19,700,000 ^b	
Output ...	£	37,696,538	43,600,329	59,896,493	67,000,000 ^b	
Production						
Value...	£	14,403,520	16,916,102	24,565,855	27,000,000 ^b	
Life Assurance						
New Policies	No.	48,976	48,765	53,485	41,699	
	£	5,716,856	5,045,062	5,708,094	4,905,840	

^a Including wool on skins. ^b Estimated.